

In Claim 7, line 1, delete "one of the previous claims, characterized in that" and insert therefor --Claim 1, wherein--.

In Claim 7, line 2, delete "can be the following:" and insert therefor --comprises--.

In Claim 7, line 17, delete "the cycle" and insert therefor --wherein said cycle--.

In Claim 8, line 1, delete "one of the previous claims, characterized in that" and insert therefor --Claim 1, wherein--.

In Claim 9, line 1, delete "one of the previous claims, characterized in that the" and insert therefor --Claim 1, wherein a--.

Please delete any multiple dependent claims not previously accounted for.

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please insert the following ABSTRACT on a separate page after the CLAIMS. The Abstract is attached on a separate page.

REMARKS

The present Preliminary Amendment has been entered for the purpose of placing the application into a more proper U.S. format. In particular, certain grammatical and idiomatic inconsistencies have been corrected by amendment to the specification, and the application is corrected for certain typographical errors found in the originally submitted application. No new matter has been added by these amendments.

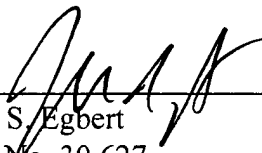
The claims have been amended so as to remove multiple dependent claims and so as to conform with U.S. requirements.

An Abstract has been added so as to conform with U.S. requirements.

Applicant respectfully requests that the present Amendment be entered prior to an initial Official Action on the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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